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SIR:

Applicants hereby appeal the Examiner's decision made in the Final Office Action dated October 14, 2005 rejecting claims 1 to 22.

Applicants also hereby request a two-month extension of time so that the three-month response period is extended from January 14, 2006 by two months to March 14, 2006. Please charge the \$450.00 fee to the account of Kenyon & Kenyon, Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. §1.191 Notice of Appeal fee of \$500.00 to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, Deposit Account No. 11-0600. Any additional fees deemed necessary should also be charged (or credited) to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. Two copies of this Notice are enclosed for these purposes.

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